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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ASSAYING A DRUG
CANDIDATE TO ESTIMATE A PHARMACOKINETIC
PARAMETER ASSOCIATED THEREWITH

Examiner : Christopher L. Chin
Art Unit : 1641
Docket No. : 740073.450C1
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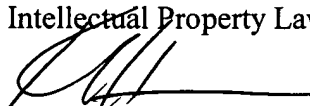
By Office Action mailed October 6, 2003, the Examiner has entered a five-way Restriction Requirement; namely,

claims 1-19, drawn to a method for assaying a drug candidate (Group I);
claim 20, drawn to computer memory (Group II);
claim 21, drawn to a generated data signal (Group II);
claims 22-39, drawn to an apparatus for assaying a drug candidate; and
claims 40-47, drawn to a sensor (Group V).

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the Group I method claims for examination at this time.

Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

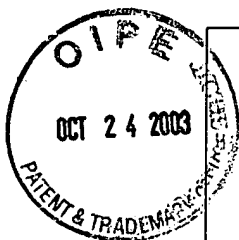
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